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SUBJECT: LOS: COMMITTEE I MEETINGS

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1. PAUL ENGO, CHAIRMAN OF LOS CONFERENCE COMMITTEE I (SEABED), CONSULTED WITH OTHER DELS IN NEW YORK OCTOBER 15/16. AT MEETING IN OFFICE OF SPECIAL REP OF UN SEC GEN (ZULETA) ON OCTOBER 15, ATTENDED BY, AMONG OTHERS, U.S., CHILE, SINGAPORE, NORWAY, FRG, AUSTRALIA, JAPAN, TANZANIA, KENYA, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, AND INDIA THERE WAS CONSENSUS THAT THERE SHOULD BE A MEETING IN NEW YORK DURING LAST TWO WEEKS OF NOVEMBER ON SEABED ISSUES. ENGO SAID MEETING SHOULD BE INFORMAL AND SHOULD ELICIT PRELIMINARY REACTIONS TO SINGLE NEGOTIATING TEXT. ENGO URGED THAT MEETING AVOID SPECIFIC DISCUSSION OF TEXT CHANGES BUT CONCENTRATE INSTEAD ON DISCUSSION OF IDEAS. ENGO WILL NOT ATTEND THIS MEETING NOR DOES HE WANT ANY COMMITTEE I VICE CHAIRMEN TO PRESIDE. IT WAS LEFT THAT MEETING WOULD ELECT A CHAIRMAN WHEN IT CONVENES. SECRETARIAT (ZULETA) UNDERTOOK TO MAKE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS TO HOLD MEETING AND WILL EXTEND INVITATIONS IN NAME OF CHAIRMAN ENGO. IN EXTENDING INVITATIONS SECRETARIAT WILL CLEARLY SUGGEST THAT THERE WILL BE A FURTHER SESSION UNDER ENGO'S CHAIRMANSHIP IN 1976 PRIOR

TO MARCH SESSION OF LOS CONFERENCE. ALTHOUGH ENGO DID NOT PUBLICLY DISCUSS POINT, PRIVATELY ENGO INDICATED HE STILL WANTS MEETING TO TAKE PLACE IN YAOUNDE.

2. ADDRESSEE POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO INFORM APPROPRIATE HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS OF ABOVE PLANS AND TO PROPOSE THAT GROUP OF FIVE COMMITTEE I EXPERTS MEET PRIOR TO THIS SESSION AT U.S. MISSION NEW YORK ON NOVEMBER 13 AND 14 (AND IF NECESSARY MORNING OF NOVEMBER 15) TO ADOPT COMMON POSITION FOR THIS COMMITTEE I INTERSESSIONAL MEETING.

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